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PROSPERITY OF COUNTY LARGELY QUESTION OF SUCCESSFUL AGRICULTURE

So Says Editor of College Bulletin.

IRRIGATION WITH SURPLUS ESSENTIAL

Light Rainfall and Low Temperature of Recent Years Abnormal, Station Records Show.

"Continued prosperity of Harney county and its capital of Burns is largely a question of successful agriculture," says C. J. McIntosh, agricultural press editor of the Oregon Agricultural college who visited the branch experiment station at Burns, this week.

"Utilization of the surplus waters for irrigation is an essential part of the system of crop and livestock farming most profitable to the individual farmer and to the whole community," the O. A. C. man continued. "The unused waters may be brought to the fields either from storage reservoirs or by pumping, and distributed by ditches, flooding or seepage. Not the manner of using the water but the using of it is the big matter."

The abnormal conditions of light rainfall and low temperature are thought here but a few years to be the natural conditions. Mr. McIntosh found by inquiry among the farmers. An examination of the station records shows that scarcely one half the normal rainfall fell during the last three years, and that more than the normal number of June frosts occurred this spring. Successful dry farming with some crops is possible with the normal conditions but when the water supply is cut in two crops suffer.

The crops to grow under irrigation and on dry lands, the strains that succeed best under conditions as they actually are and the methods of culture that bring the largest returns, are problems not as yet fully solved. When they are and the information applied to agricultural practice not only will more profitable crops be produced on the land now tilled but many additional acres may be brought into successful cultivation, Mr. McIntosh thinks.

"And it is just this work upon which the station at Burns is now engaged under Oblit Shattuck," said Mr. McIntosh. "He is just preparing to thresh the station crops, when the yields will be measured and relative value of the different livestock feeds grown there this season ascertained. This information will be available to the citizens of the county and all central Oregon who are interested."

The third crop of alfalfa is nearing harvest stage and is in excellent condition. Much of it stands 30 to 35 inches high and will yield more than one ton to the acre. A five ton per acre crop on the irrigated plots.

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Mrs. Darst Accepts Poison Creek School

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Darst came down from their mountain home the latter part of last week. It was their intention to remain in this city from now until spring as conditions were not such as to be desired in living at the mines during the cold and snow. They began looking for a house when School Supt. Frances Clark swooped down on the peaceful household and insisted that Mrs. Darst help her out in furnishing teachers for schools, as teachers are at a premium. Mrs. Darst finally consented to teach and will begin at the Poison Creek school next Monday. Jack has gone back up to the mountain home for a short time, but will return later and have apartments in this city, where Mrs. Darst can come in and spend the week ends. Mrs. Darst formerly taught in Harney during her girlhood days and is well remembered by former patrons and students of that vicinity.

Grand Matron Will Visit Burns Chapter

Burns Chapter No. 40, Order of the Eastern Star, is to be visited on next Thursday, September 18, by the newly installed Worthy Grand Matron of the state.

Officers and members of the Chapter will please take notice of this fact, and be on hand to give her a royal reception.

The Grand Matron will drive through from Lakeview to pay the Burns Chapter this official visit.

Visiting sisters and brothers are invited to join in making her welcome.

An important meeting of the Presbyterian Ladies' Aid will be held at the home of Mrs. Farrer on next Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY INCREASED

Teachers Arrive to Take Music and Art and Sciences; Assistant in Commercial.

The high school faculty was increased Monday by the employment of three additional teachers.

Miss Rose E. Johnson, of Portland, has taken the classes in music and art. Miss Hazel Freese, late of South Dakota, but more recently giving Corvallis as her address, has the home economics and science department. The commercial course, which proved so popular last year, has again appealed so favorably that an assistant was found necessary. Miss Helen Purington, of this city, was elected to that position.

Teachers who began the term last week, with their classes are as follows:

Prst. C. F. Hughes, principal and mathematics; Miss Helen Anderson, English and Latin; Miss Margaret Wheelan, commercial course; Miss Libbie Krichesky, history.

TEACHERS ASSIGNED TO SCHOOL GRADES

Second Week Finds Staff of Instructors for Every Room; All Local People.

Teachers have been assigned to grades in the Burns public school as follows:

W. M. Sutton, principal and eighth grade; Mrs. Neva Geer, seventh; Mrs. Helene Biggs, sixth; Miss Helene Dalton, fifth; Mrs. Zella Hagey, fourth; Miss Lida Hayes, third; Miss Lida Hayes, second; and Mrs. Frances Huston, first.

The second week of school finds a permanent instructor for every room. The fifth grade was found somewhat difficult to fill. Miss Helene Dalton accepted this position for the term. Miss Helen Purington substituted last week, but resigned to accept a position at the high school as assistant in the commercial course.

All of the instructors make their homes in Harney county.

Artesian Water Found at Two Depths While Drilling at Swan Lake

Word is received from the Swan Lake oil well that Mr. Howell and his associates are sinking for oil, that two artesian flows of water have been struck lately at different depths, one being some sixty feet deeper than the other. These are said to be quite strong flows and have interfered temporarily with the drilling for oil as one is inside the inner casing. Mr. Howell states it is necessary to underream the casing in order to shut the water out.

While this is a disappointment in delaying the oil prospecting, it is nevertheless a valuable strike and one that may prove of much benefit to that locality in the way of providing means to irrigate land that otherwise could not be reached.

Season for Ducks and Geese Open Tuesday, Sept. 16

The Federal seasons for duck shooting will be followed by the State Game authorities, according to an announcement made by Carl D. Shoemaker, State Game Warden. For all of Western Oregon, or Game District No. 1, which takes in all the counties west of the summit of the Cascade Mountains, the season opens on October 1st and closes on January 15th, both days inclusive. For Eastern Oregon, or Game District No. 2, the season opens on September 16th and closes on December 31st, both days inclusive.

The courts have uniformly held that the Federal law is supreme and if seasons are to be changed they must come through the Federal Government and not the State. Sportsmen throughout Oregon will, therefore, observe the Federal laws and seasons with reference to the shooting of ducks. However, all other provisions of the State law, with the exception of the opening and closing dates, will be enforced as there is no conflict with reference to bag limits, hours for shooting and methods of pursuit. The bag limit for migratory birds is twenty-five in any one day and not to exceed thirty in any seven consecutive days.

Hail, the Conquering Hero Comes



New York aldermen appropriated \$100,000 as the city's share to aid in welcoming General Pershing on his return from France. Gen. Pershing arrived in New York harbor last Monday.

: Local and Personal : Where to Find News

Mrs. A. H. Page is in the city.

Mrs. Mildred McCormack was in from her homestead the fore part of this week.

Mrs. Lloyd Culp and her little son are guests at the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. J. MacDonald.

J. E. Loggan was on sick report yesterday and unable to be at his post of duty at the garage.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Drake are enjoying a visit from his father, who arrived the fore part of the week from his home in Wichita, Kansas. Mr. Drake surprised them, as they had no intimation of his coming. In fact, his son was in the mountains hunting when his father arrived. Mr. Drake, Sr. is a manufacturer of ice-boxes and refrigerators in Wichita.

Mr. and Mrs. John Graves and little daughter are up from their home on Malheur lake. The little girl came into the office to get one of The Times-Herald cups. Mr. Graves informs us that the water has receded for such a distance that there is no evidence of any lake in his neighborhood. Hunters are going to find places for shooting rather scarce this season around the lake.

First Page
Prosperity question of agriculture. High school faculty increased. Teachers assigned to grades. Artesian well found. Open season for game birds. Boy dragged to death. Local and personal. Ford shipment received. Rabbit poison experiments. Teachers reception well attended. Grand Matron coming. Odd Fellows prepare to greet officers. Mrs. Darst accepts school. Outing in Steins mountains enjoyed.

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BOY DRAGGED TO DEATH BY MULE

Small Son of Mrs. Charley Arnold Killed by Frightened Animal.

The distressing news was brought to this city Tuesday that the little eight-year-old son of Mrs. Charley Arnold had been dragged to death by a mule at one of the hay camps of the P. L. S. Company. The animal was not wild, we are informed, and was used as the power to pump water. According to our information, the little boy had loosened the hitching chain and had wrapped it around his body. The mule suddenly drew back and in doing so threw the boy down. This frightened the animal and he started to run, dragging the unfortunate boy. Before he could be stopped the little fellow was badly trampled.

Dr. Saurman was called, but the boy died before he could be reached. The body was brought to this city and prepared for burial. It was then taken to Windy Point cemetery for interment. The bereaved mother and father have the deep sympathy of many friends.

WILL WHOLESALE FROM NEW CRANE BRANCH

Burns Cash Store Manager on Trip to Complete Arrangements.

Joe R. Thompson of the Burns Cash Store has been absent during this week visiting jobbing houses at Baker and Boise in preparation of opening a wholesale store at Crane. This project was determined upon a short time ago and the firm is making preparations to place a stock of goods at the railroad town from which to supply local dealers.

They intend also to sell to the retail trade in case lots only—no broken packages being handled.

Grover Hudspeath will take charge of this branch of the business and will go over just as soon as he can be relieved of his duties as postmaster at Riley.

New Shipment of Ford Cars Received Here; Some Fully Equipped

A new shipment of Fords has just been received at the Burns Garage, some of which are fully equipped with electric lights, self-starter and demountable irons. These are certainly improvements on this popular car and will be taken advantage of by those who are in the market for a moderately priced car with all such conveniences. Mr. Loggan said the self-starter was a "hummer" and would "kick over" any Ford engine with the thermometer at 25 below.

A feature of the new shipment is the new price for full equipment. These prices may be seen in the Burns Garage advertisement found in this issue.

Biologist Returns With Assistant to Poison Rabbits

U. S. Biologist Gabrielson has returned from his trip to Portland accompanied by an assistant, D. L. Jamison. These gentlemen took a short vacation trip into the mountains in company with C. A. Byrd and Forest Ranger Robt. Bennett to hunt for deer a few days before proceeding with their rabbit poisoning experiments. They failed to get any deer, however.

Thursday Mr. Gabrielson and Mr. Jamison put out a quantity of poison at the Paul Locher farm below the Warm Springs, using green alfalfa tops for bait, but the results were not as good as had been hoped for. Another bait will be tried out now.

Mr. Gabrielson informs this paper that another assistant, Mr. Horn, will be in active charge of the rabbit poisoning campaign in this county when it starts this winter, as Mr. Jamison has already undertaken duties of a similar character elsewhere. Mr. Horn will be here in ample time for the work and will devote all the time necessary to carrying forward a campaign to a success if given the right support by the people of the county.

The carnival ball announced last week will be given on Saturday, October 4th. It is planned to be different from anything of the kind ever attempted. It is to be a costumed ball. Further particulars will be published in the near future.

TEACHERS RECEPTION WELL ATTENDED BY PATRONS AND CITIZENS

Dr. J. Shelley Saurman Extends Welcome.

MARKS NEW INTEREST IN SCHOOLS

Prof. C. F. Hughes Compliments Energy and Intelligence of High School Pupils; New Instructors Presented.

The reception of the teachers by the school patrons and citizens of this city Tuesday evening at the Commercial Club rooms was well attended and proved a very successful and pleasant affair.

The reception was under the auspices of the entertainment committee of the Commercial club and Lieut. F. A. Fessler presided. He called upon Dr. J. Shelley Saurman to welcome the teachers and the doctor extended the hearty welcome of the citizens to the new teachers in a short address. He was followed by Principal C. F. Hughes of the high school who responded in behalf of the teachers, thanking the people of Burns for their cordial welcome and assuring those present that he and his associates were here to give the schools their very best. He further assured the patrons and friends that the entire corps of teachers were agreeably surprised to find the students such intelligent and energetic young ladies and gentlemen.

Following Mr. Hughes' remarks a vocal selection was rendered by Mrs. A. C. Welcome, Mrs. Chester Dalton, Mrs. M. A. Biggs and Miss Evelyn Byrd.

Mayor C. H. Leonard closed the formal part of the program with a few well chosen remarks.

Principal Hughes then presented each of his young lady assistants to those present and the chairman announced that the audience was privileged to greet them in their own manner. For some little time following this announcement the young ladies were kept busy responding to the greetings of the people who gave them a hearty welcome and assured them of the desire to aid them in any way possible to make the school year a complete success. The teachers have all made a favorable impression upon the patrons and from expressions heard from the students they are held in high esteem by the school. The reception marked new interest in the schools, which portends better results and a closer understanding. It gave the teachers encouragement and will prove of a benefit to all concerned.

Light refreshments were served during the evening, cafeteria style.

The Times-Herald hopes the good start made toward giving the schools such a prominent place in the minds of the people will not lag, but will continue to the end that Burns will witness the most successful school year of its history.

Most Pleasant Outing in Steins Mountains

A most pleasant outing was enjoyed in Steins mountains last week by a party of local people. Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Geer, Mr. and Mrs. Oblit Shattuck, Miss Ellen Geer, Eldon Johnson and Glen Jones spent a short vacation time camping near Big Fish Lake, in the mountain regions. Not a day passed that the party did not hike from ten to twenty miles, visiting the head waters of several creeks, hunting deer, and getting back to nature. Miss Geer had the misfortune to be armed with a light rifle when she saw a deer at some distance, and before she could point it out to her companions, he had disappeared in the brush. The young lady, who is quite an expert marksman, borrowed a heavier weapon to carry on later excursions. One deer to the credit of Mr. Johnson is reported, which he shot in the neighborhood of Fish creek.

Local Odd Fellows Prepare to Greet State Officers

Local Odd Fellows are making preparations to have a big time here on October 15th and 16th when both the Grand Master and Grand Chief Patriarch of the state will be present and make official visits to the local lodge and encampment. It will also be the occasion of taking in a large class of candidates in both organizations. More information on this matter will be given later when details are worked out.

Miss Dolly Burk has returned to home at Dallas after spending the summer here with relatives and friends. Miss Burk is a cousin to John and Charlie Loggan of this city.